



# DISTRICT 9

## 4-H FASHION SHOW NATURAL FIBERS



### GENERAL RULES AND GUIDELINES

#### **CONTEST DATE:**

APRIL 28, 2023

#### **LOCATION**

LONE STAR COLLEGE - MONTGOMERY CAMPUS  
3200 COLLEGE PARK DRIVE CONROE, TX 77384-4500

#### **District 9 4-H Natural Fibers paperwork:**

Paperwork will be processed Online. Participants will upload their required paperwork at the same time they register through 4-H Connect for Big Time in D9 Fashion Show.

#### **ENTRY/REGISTRATION DEADLINE:**

Entry and payment should be made through 4-H Online by March 29, 2023 (by 11:59PM). Project Form must be uploaded at this time.

#### **Cost**

\$15.00

#### **SCHEDULE**

- Each participant will be assigned a judging time before arrival to the contest.
- Check the District 9 4-H Website at least 1 week prior to contest for listing of judging times at <https://d94-h.tamu.edu/eventsandcontests/bigtime/fashion-show/>.
- Be on time.

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**2022-2023**

## **DISTRICT 9 4-H FASHION SHOW NATURAL FIBER GENERAL RULES AND GUIDELINES**

### **OVERVIEW**

The 4-H Fashion Show is designed to recognize 4-H members who have completed a Fashion & Interior Design project. The following objectives are taught in the Fashion & Interior Design project: knowledge of fibers and fabrics, wardrobe selection, clothing construction, comparison shopping, fashion interpretation, understanding of style, good grooming, poise in front of others, and personal presentation skills. 4-H members participating in the Natural Fiber Contest are encouraged to study, promote, and use cotton, wool, and mohair—natural fibers produced in Texas.

### **PURPOSE**

The Fashion Show Natural Fiber provides an opportunity for 4-H members

- Demonstrate knowledge Texas natural fibers (Wool/Mohair and Cotton)
- Demonstrate skills and knowledge of clothing construction and Consumerism
- Demonstrate poise and confidence
- Increase personal presentation skills

### **FASHION SHOW NATURAL FIBER**

4-H members who have placed first in the district Natural Fiber Contest may enter the Natural Fiber Contest at Texas 4-H Roundup. District winners in the Fashion Show category in buying or construction division are no longer able to compete in the Natural Fiber Contest, unless they win the district Natural Fiber Contest. If a participant is a district Fashion Show buying or construction winner and a district Natural Fiber winner, they may compete in both contests.

### **COUNTY 4-H FASHION SHOW NATURAL FIBER ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

Please refer to district and state Fashion Show guidelines for information on those contests.

Failure to comply with the requirements will result in disqualification or penalty deductions from the final score.

**1. Age.** Age divisions are determined by a participant's age as of August 31 of the current 4-H year in accordance with what is stated in the current Texas 4-H Rules and Guidelines. Junior and Intermediate divisions will follow district Fashion Show Natural Fiber guidelines. Junior Division: Grades 3 thru 5  
Intermediate Division: Grades 6 thru 8 Senior Division: Grades 9 thru 12 (No Clovers for the Natural Fibers Contest)

**2. Participation.** Participants must complete a 4-H Fashion and Interior Design project between June 2022, and the county contest in the 2022-2023 4-H year. All garments/ensembles to be judged must have been purchased (renting a garment is not allowed in the buying division) or constructed during participation in a 4-H Fashion & Interior Design project between June 2022, and the county contest in the 2022-2023 4-H year.

**3. Fashion Show Natural Fiber Categories.** The Natural Fiber Contest has two categories: cotton and wool/mohair. Entry in the Natural Fiber is done by completing the Natural Fiber Entry form. The entry worn at the county contest must be worn at the district and state contest. Accessories such as shoes, jewelry, hat, gloves, and scarfs may be changed, but changes must be included on the paperwork. No one may change divisions or categories between district and state contests.

**4. Fashion Show Natural Fiber can be constructed or purchased.** The garment selected can be constructed or purchased.

**5. Fiber Requirements.** Garments need to meet the specific requirements of either Wool/Mohair/Alpaca or Cotton.

Cotton	Each garment entered must contain a minimum of 60% cotton.
Wool/Mohair/Alpaca	Each garment entered must contain a minimum of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 60% wool and 40% other fiber.</li><li>• 60% mohair and 40% other fiber.</li><li>• 60% blend of the two fibers and 40% other fiber.</li><li>• 100% wool/mohair blend is also acceptable.</li></ul>

- **Wool example 1:** jacket and pants made of wool, but shirt or blouse does not need to be made of wool.
- **Wool example 2:** a full-length coat made of eligible natural fabric worn over a garment of any fiber content.
- **Cotton example:** denim jeans with a cotton blouse and jacket need to be made from fabric with a minimum of 60% cotton.
- Lining fabric, interfacing fabric, and trims are not required to meet the fiber content requirements.

**6. Fashion Show Registration and Paperwork.** 4-H Fashion Show Natural Fiber guidelines and entry forms can be found on the Texas 4-H Fashion and Interior Design webpage. Contestants qualifying for the State 4-H Fashion Show complete the required entry forms.

## **JUDGING CRITERIA**

Fashion Show Natural Fiber judging is based on the 2023 Fashion Show Natural Fiber Score Sheet. A panel of judges will evaluate and score the entries based on their Fashion Show paperwork and interviews.

Each garment category will be judged separately. A participant receives a 5-point deduction for not following all Fashion Show requirements, which includes not completing all forms or illegible or incorrect forms.

If ties should occur, the ties will be broken using partial scores in the following order.

1. Promotion of Natural Fiber sub-total score.
2. Knowledge of fiber characteristics and uses sub-total score.
3. Interview sub-total score.

## **4-H FASHION SHOW NATURAL FIBERS INTERVIEW PROCEDURE**

### **1. Introduction/Presentation**

Each contestant will start by introducing themselves and model their garment for the judges. Participants will then provide a 5-minute presentation to the judges. During the presentation, the participants need to describe their project activities, outfit selection, construction or buying skills and their knowledge of fiber and fabrics. Prior to competing the participant should review the contest score sheet to see that areas that will be judged.

### **2. Question and Answer**

Judges will have the opportunity to ask each participant questions from the list of contest questions as well as questions related directly to the participants garment or project experiences.

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### Possible Interview Questions

#### **Project goals and activities**

Describe your clothing and textiles project goals. Describe how your project goals guided your project work.

Describe your clothing and textiles project activities. What was your favorite activity?

How did you connect your clothing and textile project work with community service?

What community service activities were you involved with?

#### **Knowledge of fiber characteristics and uses**

Why is this fiber a good choice for your garment? Describe fiber characteristics that make it suitable for the intended use of the garment.

How will you care for this garment? Is there any additional cost to consider when caring for this garment?

What is the fiber content of your garment? Describe two qualities of each fiber.

#### **Promotion of natural fiber**

How would you promote your natural fiber to others?

How is use of natural fibers in clothing important to the Texas economy?

Describe the process for taking your natural fiber and making it into cloth.

#### **Appearance, fit and fashion ability**

How does this outfit meet your clothing needs?

How often do you plan to use the outfit/accessories?

Do you have a clothing budget?

## 2023 District 9 4-H Fashion Show Natural Fiber Score Sheet

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Fiber Category:  Cotton  Wool/Mohair/Alpaca      Age division: \_\_\_\_\_

Factors to Consider	Total Value	Comments	Actual Score
<b>Paperwork (15%)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completeness of paperwork</li> <li>Paperwork shows application of skills learned in the project.</li> </ul>	<b>15</b>		
<b>Knowledge of fiber characteristics and uses (35%)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identifies fiber characteristics that are important in apparel</li> <li>Garment makes good use of fiber characteristics</li> <li>Knowledge of fiber, fabric, and garment care requirements</li> <li>Garment meets competition eligibility requirements</li> </ul>	<b>35</b>		
<b>Promotion of Natural Fiber (35%)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understanding of fiber source and production process</li> <li>Involved in promotion of natural fiber to the public</li> <li>Promotion presentation</li> </ul>	<b>35</b>		
<b>Interview (15%)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Uses positive vocal qualities</li> <li>Answers questions correctly, with confidence</li> <li>Possesses good verbal communication skills</li> </ul>	<b>15</b>		
<b>Total Score</b>	<b>100</b>		
		<b>Judge's Initials</b>	



**2023 District 9 4-H Fashion Show**  
**Natural Fiber Entry Form**

**Category:**  Cotton  Wool/Mohair/Alpaca  
**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Number of years in Fashion project** \_\_\_\_\_  
**County:** \_\_\_\_\_ **District:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Age division:** \_\_\_\_\_

Insert a high-quality front and back view head-to-toe photo of participant in the competition garment in the space below. Photo/Photos should not exceed the space below.

**Front**

**Back**

**Insert commentary for Fashion Show Natural Fiber. Minimum of 50 words and maximum of 75 words. This commentary should be different from buying or construction, if competing in both.**



**Identify fiber content of each item in your outfit**

Name of clothing item	Fiber content

**Tell about the characteristics of the natural fibers in your outfit.**

**Describe the care requirements of these garments.**

**Describe the fiber to fabric production process.**

**Describe how you have promoted the use of natural fibers.**

